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SUBJECT: FRENCH PARTICIPATION IN KOREAN NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAM

1. KOREAN MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY CHANG, YIE-JOON RETURNED OCTOBER 12 FROM TOUR TO COMMON MARKET AND MIDEAST COUNTRIES.

2. KOREAN PRESS OCTOBER 9 REPORTED CHANG HAD SECURED "COMMON MARKET" PLEDGES OF PARTICIPATION IN CONSTRUCTION OF NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS.

3. OCTOBER 10 FBIS REPORT FROM LONDON REPEATS LE FIGARO ARTICLE OF OCTOBER 9 WHICH MENTIONS NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS AS PART OF COMMERCIAL DISCUSSION BETWEEN CHANG AND FRENCH COLLEAGUE, MICHEL D'ORANO.

4. ROKG IS REPORTEDLY INVESTIGATING PURCHASE OF NUCLEAR REPROCESSING FACILITY FROM FRENCH. ROKG ALSO CONSIDERING HIGH-TEMPERATURE GAS-COOLED REACTOR (HTGR) SYSTEM FOR KOREAN NUCLEAR PLANTS 5 AND 6. PRESENT ROKG PLANS CALL
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FOR PURCHASE OF CANADIAN HEAVY WATER REACTOR FOR NUCLEAR

3 AND 4 IN ADDITION TO U.S. LIGHT WATER PLANTS NOW UNDER
CONSTRUCTION.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE
TO EMBASSY PARIS ON ROKG NUCLEAR POWER AGREEMENTS WITH
FRENCH OR OTHER COMMON MARKET COUNTRIES.
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